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1. DANISH PRESS GAVE PRESIDENT GISCARD'S "DINNER SJUMMIT" MODERATE BUT FABORABLE COVERAGE, CHARACTERIZING IT AS GENERALLY SUCCESSFUL DESPITE LACK OF MAJOR DECISIONS. PRESS SEES DECISION TO SCHEDULE SERIES OF SIMILAR MEETINGS IN FUTURE AS PROMISING MORE EFFICIENT POLICY COORDINATION. PRINCIPAL ATTENTION WAS GIVEN TO AGRICULTURAL POLICY DISCUSSIONS WHICH BEAR MOST DIRECTLY ON DANISH EXPORT INTERESTS. PRIME MIISTER HARTLING WAS REPORTED AS STRONGLY REJECTING NATIONAL FARM SUBSIDIES WHICH HE REGARDED AS TRADE DISTORTING AND DETRIMENTAL TO DANISH FARM EXPORTS. HARTLING REPORTEDLY SAID THAT HE WOULD ACCEPT A REVIEW OF THE CAP BUT FELT IT SHOULD NOT REPEAT NOT RESULT IN CHANGE OF CAP BASIC PRINCIPLES.
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HARTLING IS QUOTED AS SAYING THAT DENMARK WAS POSITIVELY

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INCLINED TOWARD POLITICAL COOPERATION AND WELCOMED THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A ROVING SECRETARIAT TO PREPARE FOR MIN-

ISTERIAL MEETINGS. HE SAID THERE WOULD BE NO CHANGE IN LUXEMBOURG AGREEMENT ON COUNCIL VOTING PROCEDURES, ALTHOUGH HE FELT THAT MAJORITY VOTING WOULD BE ACCEPTABLE FOR SOME NON-VITAL SUBJECTS. PRESUMABLY WITH INTENT TO INDICATE HIS SATISFACTION WITH PARIS DINNER, HARLING IS QUOTE BY PRESS AS SAYING THAT SIX-HOUR DINNER ACCOMPLISHED AS MUCH AS THREE-DAY COPENHAGEN SUMMIT.

2. IN SEPARATE COMMENT ON FARM POLICY ISSUES, AGRICULTURE MINISTER KOFOED SAID THAT DENMARK REJECTS BOTH NATIONAL SUBSIDIES AND BRITISH DEFICIENCY PAYMENTS PROPOSAL. KOFOED SAID DENMARK WOULD VETO BRITISH PROPOSAL IF NECESSARY. CROWE

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